YOU GOT A GOOD BATCH AGAIN.
YEAR AFTER YEAR I STILL FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE YOU GIRLS MADE THIS CALVADOS.
WELL, OF COURSE!
IT'S OUR ONLY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THIS GODFORSAKEN PLACE.
OUR SECRET FORMULA PASSED DOWN...
...THROUGH COUNTLESS GENERATIONS!

YOU'RE INFRINGING THE ANTI-MONOPOLY LAW, THE TAXATION LAW... AT WORST YOU COULD BE CONVICTED FOR TREASON...
COME ON... IT'S ONLY BECAUSE OF THE LIMITED SUPPLIES.
BUT, YOU KNOW... THAT SECRET HAPPENS TO BE THE PROHIBITED DISTILLATION OF CALVADOS...
WHAT DO YOU WANT US TO DO?
OUR KITCHEN'S IN A STATE OF EMERGENCY! WE DON'T EVEN HAVE MEDICINE IN RESERVE!
DO I HAVE TO GO?
COULD YOU TAKE CARE OF THE USUAL GIFT FOR THE COMMERCE GUILD?
RIO.

THEY SAY THEY WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO MEET YOU.
YES.
SINCE THEY SAW YOU AT THE FESTIVAL, THE OLD MEN FROM THE GUILD HAVE BEEN INSISTING...
NO, I WASN'T PLAYING A PRIN-CESS...
OH, I DIDN'T THINK I COULD MEET THE PRINCESS FROM THE FORTRESS JUST LIKE THIS.
WELL, IF YOU PUT IT LIKE THAT I THINK I'LL HAVE TO GO.
WHAT ?!
COME TO THINK OF IT, I SAW YOUR ROOKIE AT THE CHURCH THIS MORNING...
I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU THEN.
Kanata...
DAMN!
え!?

GET AWAY FROM THESE DIRTY PREACH ERS!

S-Stop, Rio-senpai...
KANATA!
YOU'RE BEING DECEIVED BY THESE PEOPLE!
No, you're... wrong...
HE... KANA... CAN YOU...
No, they aren't... like that...

I feel weak...
Uh...? I can't...

KA...
KANATA
!!
KANATA-
SAN!!
UH...?
RIO...
SENPAI?
ARE
YOU
OKAY?
UHUH...
STRANGE...
I SUDDENLY
FELT...
YOU
PUSHED
YOUR-
SELF
TOO
MUCH.

KANATA-SAN, I'LL BRING YOU SOME MEDICINE!!

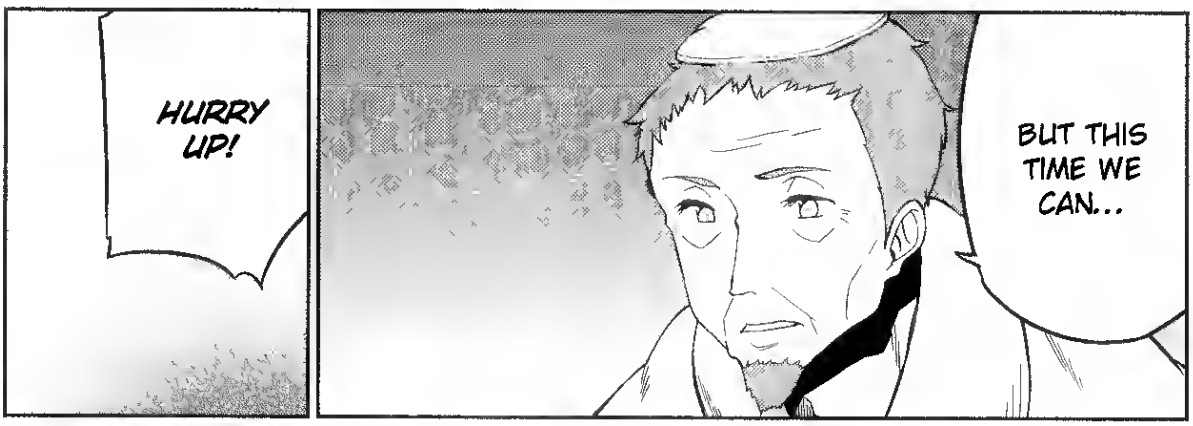
YOU SCUM, DON'T YOU DARE TOUCH HER!!
STAY OUT OF THIS!!

FINDING PEOPLE'S WEAKNESS AND TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THEM...
.....
YOU PEOPLE ALWAYS DO THE SAME...
!

FIRST YOU TAKE MY MOTHER FROM ME, AND NOW YOU WANT TO TAKE MY JUNIOR TOO?
WHAT ARE YOU...
!!
IDIOT!! YOU CAN DO THAT AFTER WE TREAT HER!!
IF WE DON'T DO THAT SHE'LL DIE
JUST LIKE MY MOTHER !!

MOTHER!!
MOTHER!!
I DON'T CARE!! I'LL TAKE HER TO THE FORTRESS AND-
We don't even have medicine in reserve!
!

HOW... HOW DO YOU...
!?
THIS REMINDS YOU OF THE TIME YOUR MOTHER PASSED AWAY, DOESN'T IT...


HURRY UP!
BUT THIS TIME WE CAN...

HELP MOTHER !!
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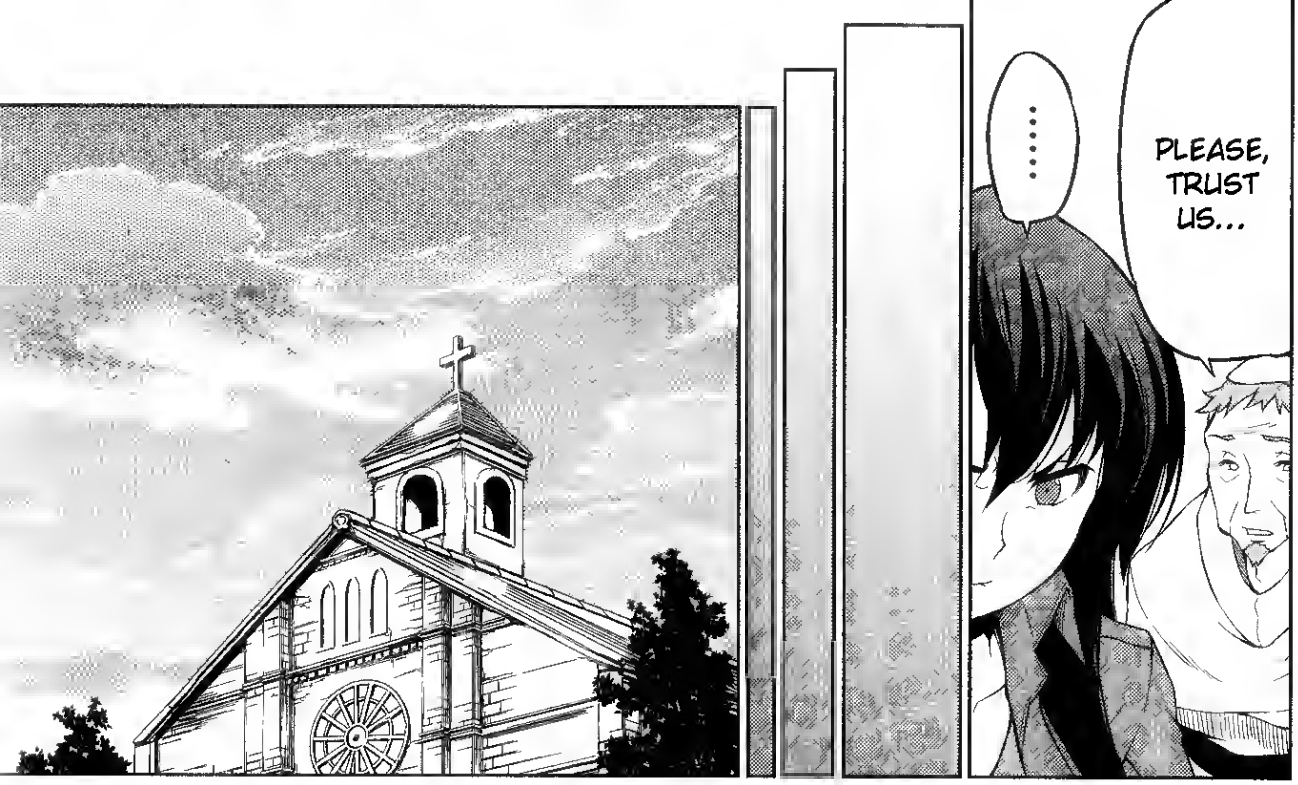
HELP KANATA !!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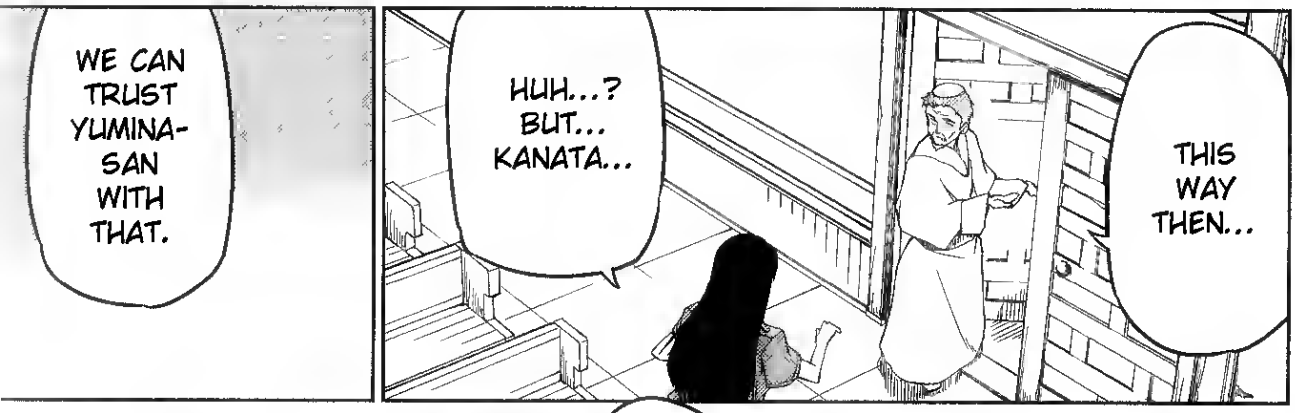
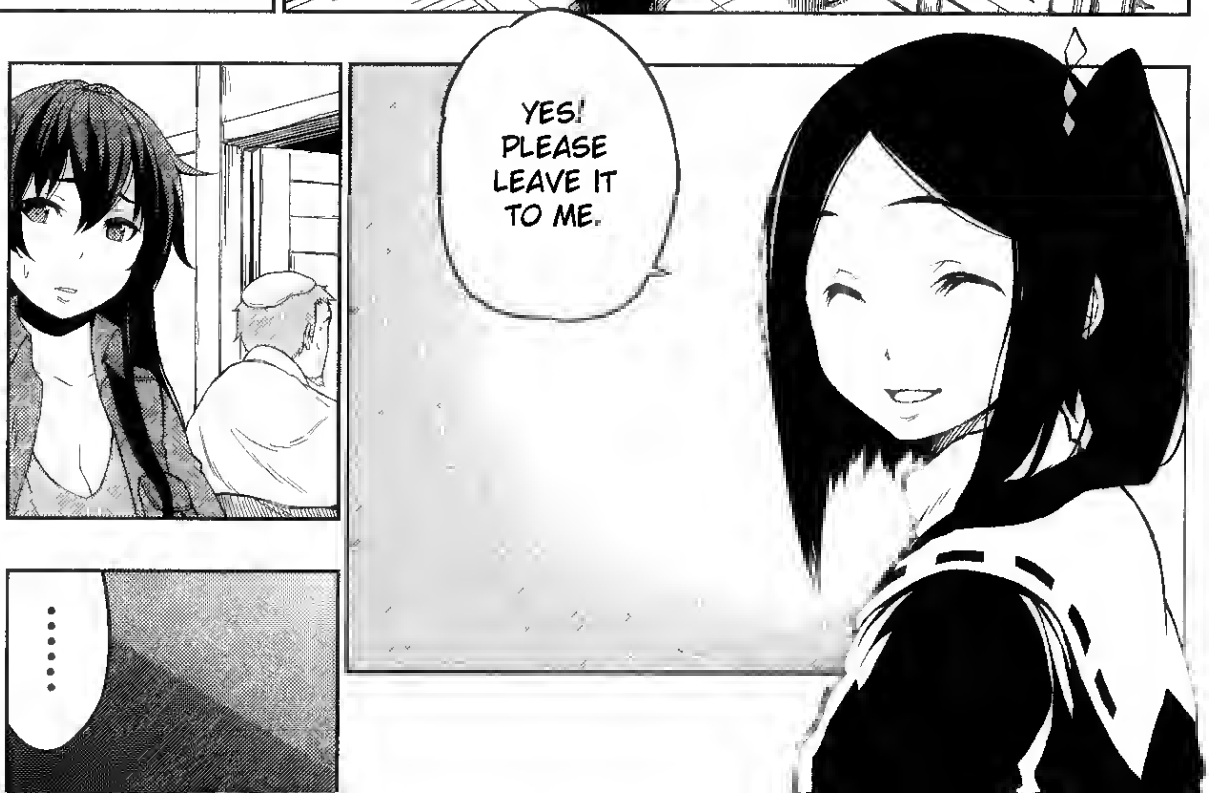

THIS WAY THEN...
HUH...? BUT... KANATA...
WE CAN TRUST YUMINA-SAN WITH THAT.


YES! PLEASE LEAVE IT TO ME.
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HOW DO YOU KNOW ABOUT MY PAST... ABOUT MY MOTHER?
YOU... WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?
WHEN YOUR MOTHER PASSED AWAY...
INDEED I KNOW.
BUT THERE ARE INDIVIDUALS WHO USE THEIR PRIVILEGED POSITION TO LINE THEIR OWN POCKETS.
BRINGING OUR SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CHURCH...
AT THAT POINT IN TIME I WAS FULFILLING MY DUTIES IN THE CAPITAL...

I BROUGHT THIS MATTER TO THE ARCH-BISHOP, BUT...
I WAS PROMPTLY REASSIGNED TO THE CHURCHES OF THIS REGION.
THEY JUST GOT RID OF YOU...
I HEARD THAT IT WAS ONE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS WHO CAUSED THE DEATH OF YOUR MOTHER THROUGH HIS SELFISH ACTIONS.
.....
BUT THE EYES OF THE CAPITAL CAN'T SEE THIS FAR.
ONLY TAKING CARE OF THE SIMPLE TASKS OF MINISTRY...
I THINK THIS MIGHT BE BETTER FOR ME AFTER ALL.
OH, BUT ...
WHY IS THE PRINCESS IN THIS REMOTE REGION... IS YOUR FATHER AWARE OF THIS?
MY FATHER HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS!!
BUT ...
WITH THE INSTABILITY OF THE COUNTRY... HE MUST BE QUITE WORRIED...

PRINCESS RIO KAZUMIYA ARCADIA.
STOP... I'M.. I'M NO PRINCESS... I COULD NEVER SUPPORT THE COUNTRY BY MYSELF LIKE SISTER..
.....
RESENTING THE CHURCH... MY FATHER... FEARING...
I'M JUST LOST ...

BEING LOST IS GOOD.
I THINK YOU ARE UP TO THE TASK.
AS LONG AS YOU THINK THINGS THROUGH BEFORE ACTING, IT WILL WORK OUT.
.....
BEING A PRINCESS ...
IT DOES NOT SIMPLY MEAN BECOMING A TOOL OF THE COUNTRY...
IT'S NOT SOME-THING...
I CAN JUST ACCEPT LIKE THAT...
I'M GOING TO SEE HOW KANATA'S DOING.

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RIO-SENPAI!
KANATA ?!
!
HA... HAHA ...
RIO-SENPAI ?!
DON'T MIND ME! JUST WORRY ABOUT YOURSELF!
ARE YOU WELL?
HAHA ... I STILL HAVE DOUBTS ABOUT MANY THINGS ...
BUT THERE'S SOMETHING I'M SURE OF NOW.

I WOULD LIKE TO APOLOGIZE FOR MY ACTIONS UNTIL TODAY.
OH, NOT AT ALL... PLEASE FORGIVE ME FOR SPEAKING OF MATTERS THAT DON'T CONCERN ME...
IF THEY HAVE YOU AROUND, I MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET ALONG WITH THE CHURCH HERE.
JUST ANEMIA ...
YEAH ...
GOOD GRIEF... YOU'RE A HANDFUL ...
Sorry...
I ENDED UP BEING A BOTHER EVEN IN MY DAY OFF...
DON'T WORRY. I'M GLAD YOU'RE OKAY.
BUT... I DO CAUSE TROUBLE.
I CAN SEE THAT NOW.

SO I'D LIKE TO MOVE FORWARD DOING WHAT I CAN.
AS A SOLDIER.
IF I DO THAT, I WONDER IF... IF I COULD SOMEDAY GET TO BE LIKE RIO-SENPAI ...
OH BOY ...
I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S HAP-PENING TO ME BUT...
I THINK THAT'S WHAT YOU SHOULD DO, KANATA.
OKAY! I'LL DO MY BEST!

TADAA~ I TRIED MAKING AN EFFORT RIGHT AWAY.
I FRIED SOME VEGETABLES I GOT FROM THE CHURCH.
IN MY VILLAGE WE CALL IT "TEMPURA".
BLOCKHEAD KANATA CAN COOK ...?
RIO GETTING ALONG WITH PEOPLE FROM THE CHURCH ...
I WONDER IF IT'S GOING TO SNOW TO-MORROW...
IT'S ALMOST SUMMER.
RIO-SENPAI!

SAY "AAAAH~"
THAT'S... IS THAT...
I TRIED FRYING SOME PEPPERS.
S- STOP!!
I... PEPPERS ...
EEEEH... BEING PICKY ABOUT FOOD... RIO-SENPAI OF ALL PEOPLE?
EH? SO RIO-SENPAI DOESN'T LIKE PEPPERS?
HEY, KUREHA! YOU KNEW ABOUT THIS...
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